

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0012] on page 3 with the following replacement paragraph.

[0012] As wireless carriers continue to grapple with frequency reuse and handoff issues, new challenges have arisen on other fronts. In order to address routing of emergency calls placed by cellular phones, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has issued a series of orders. These orders mandate that wireless providers begin supplying location information to public safety answering points ("PSAPs") in order to support an enhanced 911 (known as "E911") capability for portable wireless devices ("PWDs"). According to the FCC mandate, wireless providers must provide a Phase I capability in 2000, followed by a more robust Phase II capability in 2001. ~~The FCC orders can be found at the web sites~~
~~www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1996/fcc96264.txt and~~
~~www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1999/fcc99245.txt.~~

Please replace paragraph [0041] on page 9 with the following replacement paragraph.

[0041] The connection between MTSO 130 and cell sites 135 may comprise a microwave link, wire line, or other means for reliably connecting MTSO 130 and cell sites 135. Cell sites 135 may comprise a computer or controller 136~~(not shown)~~ for performing processing operations, such as for measuring received signal strength or bit error rate in the transmission from PWD 180. MTSO 130 may comprise a computer or controller 131~~(not shown)~~ for performing processing operations, such as for measuring a received signal strength or bit error rate for PWD 180, for registering PWDs 180, for setting up calls, and for making handoffs.